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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

The A. C. L.'s vestibuled train service South began the first of January. —— U. S. flag hoisted at Matanzas Sunday. —— Cane grinding has begun in Havana and Matanzas provinces. —— Gen. Ludlow is searching private houses in Cuba for arms. —— Advices from Gen. Otis yesterday were more reassuring; it is believed there will be no armed conflict between Gen. Miller's forces and the Filipinos. —— The Paris peace treaty negotiations will be sent to the Senate to-day. —— Near Bloomington, Ills., John Lytton killed his wife and two children, and shot himself fatally. —— The American expedition is still afloat off Iloilo; natives are drilling on the beach and making every preparation for resistance. —— Cubans in Santiago protest against the order to transmit custom's receipts each week to Havana and Maj. Gen. Wood has gone to Washington to consult President McKinley in regard to the matter. —— Quay endorsed by the Republican Legislative caucus for Senator; but the votes he received are not sufficient to elect on joint ballot; the anti-Quay men are jubilant. —— New York markets: Money on call firm at 3@4 per cent., the last loan being at 3 per cent.; cotton steady, middling uplands 5½c; flour was unfavorably affected by the break in wheat and ruled quiet; wheat—spot weak, No. 2 red 79¾c; corn—spot weak, No. 2 43¼c; rosin steady; strained common to good $1.40; spirits turpentine firm at 45½@46c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE,
WEATHER BUREAU,
WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 3.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 28 deg.; 8 P.M., 53 deg.; maximum, 61 deg.; minimum, 28 deg.; mean, 46 deg.

Rainfall for the day, —; rainfall since 1st of the month; up to date, T.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 6.5 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—For North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness with rain in western portion, in the afternoon fresh east to southeast winds.

Port Almanac—Jan. 4.

Sun Rises	7.14 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.57 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 43 M.
High Water at Southport	12.33 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	4.02 P. M.

The sleeping policeman has scored a point in Syracuse, N. Y. One of them has dreamed out the location of a missing girl.

A Kentucky man has invented a fire escape. This will be a good thing for the average Kentuckian to take with him when he leads in a funeral procession.

Blanco, Martinez Campos and other distinguished Spanish gentlemen are keeping tab on Weyler, and watching his pranks. When he gets too frisky they will call him down.

Young Frank Gould the other day paid $30,000 for a seat in the New York Stock Exchange. There are lots of men who would stand up six months before they would pay that much for a seat.

When actor Seabrooke went into bankruptcy his liabilities amounted to $39,075, while his total assets amounted to a scarf pin. And now the question among his creditors is how he managed to hang on to the scarf pin.

German papers claim that Germany owns Wake Island, recently appropriated by this Government, but say that as Germany has no particular use for it she doesn't mind this Government's taking it in and utilizing it.

The servant girls in New York are asserting themselves and organizing a union. The colored domestics down in these parts did that some time ago, but the thing didn't pan out on account of the unexpected turn of events.

Andrew Carnegie has secured a contract for 40,000 tons of steel rails for South Africa, underbidding English rail makers nearly $4 a ton. But still our rail makers must have tariff protection against the English and other foreign rail makers.

Gen. Merritt thinks that from 20,000 to 30,000 soldiers will be enough to make the Filipinos behave themselves, and one half of these could be recruited from the natives and Spaniards. And then how many would it take to make these behave themselves?

A Chicago elevator boy who heroically kept his elevator going up and down while the building was burning and thus enabled many people to escape, at the risk of his own life, never even got his picture in the newspapers. If he had robbed a bank or murdered somebody he might.

The Chicago *Tribune* pulled its lexicon and called a certain alderman "a pachydermatous promoter of every nefarious job that barters civic rights for boodle," and now that alderman knows just what kind of a fellow he is. The man who can evoke five-syllable epithets must be something above the ordinary alderman, somewhat of an elephant.

David J. Telfair, who claims to be at the head of a $100,000,000 concern in New York, is in jail in Atlanta for refusing to pay for six pairs of shoes. He claims that he refuses to pay "on principle." Perhaps it is against his principle to pay for anything.

Speaking of the Afro-American Council, what in thunder is an Afro-American anyhow? It might be a mulatto, but it isn't. If it isn't just an every day darkey who puts on linguistic scollops we don't know what it is.

Some of the teachers in the public schools of Greater New York receive less pay by $150 a year than the pay by law allowed to street sweepers, against which the *World* very properly raises its voice in protest.

The authorities in Santiago have declared war against the homeless dogs and cats. The dog and the cat do not stand much more show in that town now than the reconcentrado did under the Spanish regime.

Sarah Bernhardt got close enough to a crater of Vesuvius the other night to get scorched. Bernhardt is somewhat of a scorcher herself when she gets warmed up.

A man in Oregon has just succeeded in trading an invalid wife and four acres of onions for a more robust wife of a neighbor who hankered for onions.

A Kansas man says he was buried alive for two days, but he objected to being buried alive and crawled out. It is mighty hard to get rid of some men.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Notice—Schedule B tax.
Opera House—L-a-w Jubilee.
King Grocery Co—The new year.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

U. C. Ellis—Photographs.
Morris Bear & Bro.—For rent.
F. M. Moore—For sale or rent.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. M. C. Elliott went to Baltimore yesterday on a pleasure trip.

— Mr. H. C. McNair, of Maxton, was registered at The Orton yesterday.

— H. E. Faison, Esq., of Faison, is attending the sessions of the Circuit Criminal Court.

— Mr. M. McKinnon, of Red Springs, arrived in the city last night and is registered at The Orton.

— Mrs. George MacDuffy, of Tarboro, who has been spending the holidays in the city, leaves for her home to-day.

— Messrs. D. T. Williams, of Hasty, Ga., and Mr. S. E. Memory, of Whiteville, made pleasant calls at the STAR office yesterday.

— Mr. A. J. Johnson, a good friend of the STAR, at Taylor's Bridge, Sampson county, was in the city yesterday and paid the office a pleasant call.

— Miss Lucile Murchison, who spent the holiday season with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Giles, left last night for New York to resume her studies in Miss Spencer's school.

— Mr. J. W. Green, representing the R. J. Reynolds' Tobacco Company, and Mr. S. F. Johnson, representing the Brown Bro.'s Company, both leading tobacco manufacturers of Winston, are in the city talking business with dealers.

— Mr. Hugh O. Wallace returned yesterday from Kenansville where he went to spend new year's with his mother. He brags quite a good deal about the fine country sausage which he ate up there and brought back a good string of birds which he says he killed about Warsaw yesterday.

— Miss Helene Trenholm, of New York, one of the most fascinating and popular of the numerous attractive young lady visitors who have brightened Wilmington society by their presence during the Christmas holiday season, left last night for her home. While here she was the guest of Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy.

Successful New Year's Ball.

The New Year's ball, under the auspices of Hanover Seaside Club, held in Adrian Hall last night, was thoroughly successful. There were more than half a hundred participants and the dancing continued from 9 until 2:30 o'clock. Mr. Martin Schnibben was leader. Shortly after midnight luncheon was served under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Fick. The music for the dancing was by the Italian Band. The committee under whose direction the New Year ball was gotten up, consisted of Mr. E. H. Strunck and Mr. Martin Schnibben.

THE CRIMINAL COURT

Convened Yesterday Morning At 10 O'clock By Judge Dossey Battle.

A FINE CORPS OF OFFICERS.

Judge Battle's Charge to the Grand Jury Much Complimented — Important Murder and Burglary Cases Set for Trial Next Week.

The first business session of the January term of the Circuit Criminal Court was convened yesterday morning at 10 o'clock by Judge Dossey Battle. Solicitor Rodolph Duffy, Clerk W. R. French and Sheriff Walter MacRae were all at their posts and a considerable amount of business was transacted.

Judge Battle's charge to the grand jury was able and comprehensive and elicited very many compliments. He is an efficient presiding officer and dispatches business admirably. Mr. Duffy is proving himself an efficient solicito. Mr. MacRae, the new sheriff, is all that could be desired in discharge of the duties of his office. Mr. French, the clerk, is an old standby, and his proficiency in the discharge of the duties of his office is a fact of long standing. Truly the Wilmington Criminal Court is now ably officered, from the judge on the bench down.

The grand jury which is serving during the present term is as follows:

Geo. Branch foreman; J. G. Wagoner, Rudolph Hart, Geo. Wilson, C. H. Hill, Henry Green, William Cromwell, W. H. Merrick, Henry Tietgen, Jos. P. Walton, C. B. Clowe, H. A. Martindale, Fred Westerman, T. E. Myers, J. F. Stanland, J. D. Strickland, J. W. Cunningham, W. K. Bell.

The case against Edward King, colored, for the murder of the negro Johnson, in Dross Neck, several months ago, was set for trial on Tuesday of next week.

The burglary cases docketed against Ed. King, Chas. Fisher and John Walker for breaking into the residence of Mr. W. N. Harriss, and other dwellings last Summer and Fall, were set for trial on Wednesday of Next week. Venires of 50 men each are to be summoned to select jurors for each case.

On Friday of this week the case of burglary against Ed. Foy, colored, in which he is charged with breaking into the dwelling of Jordan Nixon, colored, is set for Friday of this week.

Jas. Harper, colored, plead guilty of assault and battery with deadly weapon in two cases. Judgment is pending.

Henry Wright, colored, plead guilty of larceny and was given five months in the county jail.

Charles Davis, colored, guilty of larceny in three cases, was given twelve months in the penitentiary for one offence and judgment was suspended in the other two.

At 5.30 o'clock court took a recess until 9.30 A. M. to-day.

The docket to be disposed of this time comprises 99 cases, hence the long hours to be observed.

PERMANENT POLICE FORCE.

Selections Made Yesterday by Police Committee in Compliance With Board of Aldermen's Request.

In compliance with an order from the Board of Aldermen, the Police Committee met in the Mayor's office yesterday afternoon for the purpose of selecting a permanent police force, it having been decided that the emergency force of sixty-two men was no longer needed to preserve the peace.

The Police Committee is composed of the following members of the city council: Mayor Waddell, chairman *ex-officio*, Aldermen Sprunt, Taylor and Skelding.

Provision having been made by the board for thirty-one men, including officers, twenty-six patrolmen were chosen, which with the officers already elected makes the requisite number named by the aldermen.

The force, as it stands in its permanent form, is as follows:

Chief—Edgar G. Parmele.
Captain—Jno. J. Furlong.
Lieutenant—Fred. T. Skipper.
Sergeants—J. R. Davis, J. D. Orrell, C. L. Frost, (acting).
Patrolmen—E. J. Grimsley, Ezekiel Skipper, W. M. Harriss, Isaac F. Huggins, Richard J. Jones, Charles W. Willard, J. D. Hargrove, Wm. D. George, Leon George, Alexander Wells, Charles T. Smaw, Montie Bowen, Eli R. Chadwick, Charles A. Stead, Jonathan M. King, Thos. N. Simmons, Jno. A. Martin, B. R. King, Walter H. Barden, Geo. H. Ward, H. H. Woebse, W. E. Watson, Chas. E. Wood, Nathan J. Williams, Chas. S. Burnett, Geo. W. Smith.

The committee instructed Chief Parmele to ask for bids, samples and styles of police uniforms and when these have been received a selection will be made by the committee and each policeman with the officers will supply themselves with uniforms.

— Mr. William J. Bellamy left for New York, yesterday to resume the duties of his position with the American Tobacco Co., after spending the holidays very pleasantly with his parents. Dr. and Mrs. W. H. J. Bellamy. Mr. Bellamy is a bright and clever young man, and a host of friends here are ever ready to most cordially welcome him to his old home.

Turner's North Carolina Almanacs for 1899, for sale by Robt. R. Bellamy. †

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

Renewal of Liquor Licenses Further Considered and Action of Monday Rescinded—Other Matters.

Pursuant to adjournment Monday afternoon the County Commissioners met at 11 o'clock yesterday morning to further consider the matter of granting renewal of licenses to those persons previously refused by the Board of Aldermen.

Col. Roger Moore, Capt. Jno. D. Barry and Mr. W. F. Alexander, composing the entire Board were present.

Attorneys for the various persons to whom license had been refused, as published in yesterday's STAR, were present, as also were a number of residents and property owners in the neighborhood of the location of the various saloons, to which license had been refused.

Upon motion of Capt. Barry the renewal of H. D. Oldenbuttel's license, which was granted Monday, was reconsidered, and the Board, after deliberation decided that it had no legal right to pass upon applications, which had previously been disapproved by the Board of Aldermen.

Marsden Bellamy, Esq., in behalf of his client, H. D. Oldenbuttel, stated that the report that Mr. Oldenbuttel owned or had interest in the disreputable house known as "Morro Castle" was untrue.

The commissioners, however, decided that they had no legal right in the matter, and the applicants, refused renewal by the aldermen, must close their saloons at the expiration of their licenses.

Mr. W. A. Riach and Mr. T. Donlan thanked the Board for its action in the matter.

Bids for repairing Island Creek bridge, in Cape Fear township, were opened and the contract awarded to Mr. Hiram Merritt for $49.50, it appearing that he was the lowest bidder.

A bid for the burial of the county poor at $1.85 each from D. W. Teachy was rejected, the contract already having been awarded to D. C. Evans.

An application from J. D. Littleton for the position of keeper of Oak Grove cemetery was rejected, the position having already been filled.

Upon motion of Mr. Alexander, an appropriation of $150 was made for the improvement of the road leading from Wilmington to Federal Point.

No further business requiring attention, the Board adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman.

BOARD OF AUDIT AND FINANCE.

Approved Appropriation of Aldermen for Sewerage Improvement.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the City Board of Audit and Finance was held yesterday afternoon, with the following members present: H. C. McQueen, chairman; Messrs. Jesse Wilder and C. W. Yates.

A commmunication from the Board of Aldermen, stating that $3,000 had been appropriated for permanent sewerage improvements to Jacob's Run and Tan Yard Bottom, was, upon motion of Mr. Wilder, concurred in.

The bond of Col. Thos. W. Strange, city attorney, for the collection of back taxes due the city for the years 1894, 1895, 1896 and 1897 in the sum of $5,000, with Capt. John Wilder Atkinson and Jno. D. Bellamy, Esq., as sureties, was approved.

The clerk submitted the following statement of the examination of the books of the treasurer and tax collector for the month of November, 1898:

Cash on hand November 1st	$30,780.55
Receipts for November	18,805.13
Total	$49,585.68
Disbursements during November	$ 8,088.07
Balance to December account	41,497.61
Total	$49,585.68

Bills for current expenses, amounting to $7,069.26, were read and approved.

No further business requiring consideration, the Board adjourned, subject to the call of the chairman.

A NUMBER OF CASES

Tried by Mayor Waddell at Yesterday's Session of City Court.

The Mayor had ten cases for his consideration at yesterday's session of the Police Court.

Richard Reid and Robert Webb, both colored, were charged with drunkenness. Reid was let off with the cost and Webb was required to pay a fine of $5 and costs.

Abram Moore, Fred Stewart and T. E. Branch, all colored, were fined $5 and costs for disorderly conduct.

W. D. Davis and Gilbert Telfair, both colored, were tried for being drunk and disorderly. Davis was let off with the cost, but Telfair, who has just finished up a sentence to work on the streets, was given ten days more.

The case of Chas. Morriss, who was arrested on suspicion, was continued until to-day.

The case of Jno. Williams, the colored man who was arrested in a shed on the premises of the rice mill and in whose possession a lot of stolen clothes were found, was also continued until to-day.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure promp and regular delivery.

WEEDING OUT THE NEGRO COMMITTEEMEN.

New Hanover Board of Education Accepted Resignations of Some and Demanded Others.

The new School Board for this county is carrying out their resolution to rid the county of negro school committeemen to the letter. So much so that now there is not a single negro committeeman in the county. A sweeping riddance was made yesterday.

The Board met yesterday at 3 P. M., in their office at the court house. There were present Mr. B. G. Worth, chairman, Capt. T. D. Meares and Mr. G. W. Westbrook.

The first matter to engage their attention was the apportionment of the school fund. The resignations of several negro school committeemen were then read and accepted. They were J. B. Dudley, of the colored A. and M. College at Greensboro, committeeman in School District No. 1, (city) Caesar Baker, colored, committeeman in District No. 4, Masonboro Township; Thos. Frank and John A. Hall, both colored, committemen in District No. 5, Harnett Township. The acceptance of these resignations left three negroes still members of various committees. They had manifested no disposition to resign and the Board on motion removed each of them and declared their offices vacant.

Those removed were John G. Norwood, colored, of District No. 2, (city); W. H. Waddell, colored, of District No. 4, Masonboro Township, and J. M. Hewlett, of District No. 5, Harnett Township.

The Board did not fill all the vacancies thus created. They made appointments as follows: Mr. J. Q. Wells, vice J. M. Hewlett, as a member of District No. 5 Harnett Township; Mr. J. D. Woody, vice Thomas Franks, colored, as a member in District No. 5, Harnett township, and Mr. Hosea Shepard vice Jno. A. Hart, colored, as a member in District No. 5, Harnett township.

Vacancies yet to be filled are in Districts Nos. 1 and 2, in the city and District No. 4, Masonboro township.

These vacancies will probably be filled at the next meeting.

The Board took a recess, subject to the call of the chairman.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Sheriff MacRae has temporarily appointed Messrs. Gus Wright and S. Hill Terry as deputies, during Court week.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

— In yesterday morning's report of the Board of Aldermen's proceedings the name of Mr. W. H. Lane was given as night janitor, when it should have been J. A. Lane.

— The STAR is requested to announce that there will be a meeting of the O. A. N. Club at their club rooms to-night. Every member is urgently requested to be present.

— Louise, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm McKay, formerly of Wilmington, died, January 1st, at Chelsea, Massachusetts, and was buried there the following day.

— Col. Roger Moore, chairman of the Board of County Commissioners, makes an important announcement to those liable for schedule B tax in today's STAR. See advertising columns.

— The schooner *Cora M.*, Capt. Mitchell, cleared yesterday with a cargo of lumber for Ponce, Porto Rico, from the Kidder Lumber Co. The vessel was by Geo. Harriss, Son & Co.

— Misses Nellie and Mary Plummer delightfully entertained a company of their friends on Monday night. The entertainment was complimentary to their guest, Miss Lessie Gregory, of Clinton.

— There was no change in the local cotton and naval stores markets yesterday. Spirits turpentine held firm at 43¼ and 42¾ cents bid. Cotton was unchanged at 5¾ cents for middling, with the receipts for yesterday and day before only 85 bales.

— A number of the officials of the C. F. & Y. V. R. R. came down from Fayetteville and Greensboro last night and are registered at The Orton. They are General Manager J. W. Fry, Auditor R. W. Bidgood, Chief Engineer H. L. Fry and General Freight and Passenger Agent W. E. Kyle.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W., C. & A. Railroad—53 bales cotton, 11 casks spirits turpentine, 37 barrels rosin, 105 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—12 casks spirits turpentine, 20 barrels tar, 3 barrels crude turpentine.

C. F. & Y. V. Railroad—17 casks spirits turpentine, 81 barrels rosin, 37 barrels tar.

W., N. & N. Railroad—6 casks spirits turpentine.

Steamer Frank Sessoms—4 bales cotton, 5 casks spirits turpentine, 148 barrels rosin, 148 barrels tar.

Steamer Driver—28 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 11 barrels rosin, 65 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 85 bales; spirits turpentine, 52 casks, rosin, 377 barrels; tar, 263 barrels; crude turpentine, 5 barrels.

DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS.

Judge Connor Nominated for Speaker of the House on First Ballot.

OTHER NOMINATIONS MADE.

Brevard Nixon, of Mecklenburg, Principal Clerk—J. B. Smith, of Fayetteville, Doorkeeper of Senate—Daniels, of Wilson, Principal Clerk.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 3.—As forecasted last night by your correspondent, Judge H. G. Connor, of Wilson, was to-night named by the Democratic caucus as Speaker of the House on the first ballot, taken at 11 o'clock, after a preliminary fight over allowing contesting members from Pamlico and Greene counties to vote. The ballot resulted as follows: Connor, 46; Overman, 26; Craige, 14.

Judge Connor was placed in nomination by Judge Allen, of Wayne, and his nomination was seconded by H. C. Wall of Rockingham, S. M. Gattis of Orange, D. H. McLean of Harnett, and W. P. White of Halifax.

Mr. Overman was nominated by J. M. Brown of Stanly; his motion was seconded by D. R. Julian of Rowan, C. R. Hacy of Cleveland, W. H. Carroll of Alamance, J. A. Currie of Moore, and Hector McLean of Richmond.

Mr. Craige was nominated by E. J. Justice of McDowell; seconded by Francis D. Winston of Bertie.

Though the caucus was scheduled to begin at 8 o'clock it was 8.20 before Francis D. Winston, of Bertie county, rapped for order and called W. B. Council, of Watauga, to the chair.

Henry A. Gilliam, of Edgecombe, was elected secretary and Mr. H. McD. Robinson, of Cumberland, assistant secretary. The temporary organization was made permanent. All persons, except Democratic members of the caucus, were then excluded from the hall. When it came to making out the roll of members a fight arose over allowing Democratic contestants from Greene and Pamlico counties to be present in caucus and vote. Judge Allen called attention to the fact that the roll showed that these two counties were represented by Republicans and Populists. "On the first count of the election returns," he said, "The Republican and Populist candidates were victorious and they were given certificates; but the second count revealed the fact that they were beaten and Democrats elected, and the clerks so certified." He, therefore, moved that Mr. Sugg of Greene, and Mr. Pool of Pamlico, be admitted to the caucus. This meant two more votes for Connor. The other side fought it. It was finally decided to allow the two Representatives seats in the caucus, but not permit them to vote. This was considered a sort of a dog-fall, both sides seeming to fear a test of strength on it.

Mr. Winston moved that a committee be appointed to fix the number of House employes, clerks and laborers. This was passed.

Mr. D. H. McLean moved that no one but white men be employed when they can be had, from the highest to the lowest servant. This was unanimously carried.

This brought the caucus to the nomination of a presiding officer. This committee consisted of Francis D. Winston, W. R. Allen, Locke Craige and H. G. Connor.

After Judge Connor's nomination, a committee, composed of Messrs. Overman, Allen and Craige, escorted him into the hall and Judge Connor accepted in a few words. Brevard Nixon, of Mecklenburg county, was unanimously chosen principal clerk.

W. R. Stalliup, of Macon, was elected doorkeeper over half a dozen other candidates. He is an old Confederate veteran. After ballotting three times for assistant doorkeeper without electing anybody, the caucus adjourned at 1:45 to meet again at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Senate Caucus.

A caucus of Democratic Senators met in the Senate chamber promptly at 8 o'clock, and on motion of Senator Thomas G. Skinner, Senator M. H. Justice was made temporary chairman. All except Democratic members of the Senate were excluded from the caucus.

The caucus proceeded to nominate for officials with the following result: Principal Clerk, C. C. Daniels, of Wilson; Assistants, A. J. Maxwell, of Columbus; M. L. Shipman, of Henderson; W. A. Campbell, of Moore; Engrossing Clerk, Frank A. Clinard, of Hickory; Reading Clerk, Walter Murphy, of Rowan; Enrolling Clerk, E. B. Norvell, of Cherokee; Doorkeeper, J. B. Smith, of Cumberland.

Rep.-Pop. Caucus.

Republicans and Populists held their caucus in the State Library and made the following nominations:

House—Speaker, W. W. Hampton, of Surry; Chief Clerk, J. N. Bradley, Buncombe; Reading Clerk, W. H. Quinn, Swain; Doorkeeper, W. V. Hall, Wake; Assistant Doorkeeper, Jacob Perkins, Richmond; Engrossing Clerk, Chapin, Beaufort.

Senate—Chief Clerk, Hill E. King, Onslow; Reading Clerk, T. Y. Samuel, Stokes; Engrossing Clerk, F. D. Benbow, Yadkin; Doorkeeper, Thomas Gregory, Sampson; Assistant Doorkeeper, W. A. Royall, Yadkin.

Judge Thomas A. McNeill was today sworn in by Judge Walter Clark. Judge McNeill holds his first court in Catawba on February 20th.

Will Wynne, president of the Almyra Telephone Company, owning the long distance line from Raleigh to Goldsboro, has been also elected manager of the Inter-State Telephone Company, of this city.

Elmer Long, son of Jacob A. Long, of Alamance, was to day appointed to a clerkship in the State penitentiary.

CAPE FEAR LODGE, I. O. O. F.

Installed Officers Last Night to Serve for Ensuing Term.

At a regular meeting of Cape Fear Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., held last night, the following officers were installed for the ensuing term by D. D. G. M. H. E. Bonitz, assisted by Past Grands L. L. Boone, M. W. Jacobi, Wm. L. Smith and Ben Dunham:

S. P. G.—W. H. Badon.
N. G.—Alex. Boone.
V. G.—S. Behrends.
R. and F. Sec.—Jas. T. Riley.
Treas.—Wm. Goodman.
R. S. N. G.—W. W. Yopp.
L. S. N. G.—A. W. Allen.
R. S. V. G.—A. H. Creasey.
L. S. V. G.—R. B. Register.
Warden.—J. F. Craig.
Conductor.—J. F. Stanland.
R. S. S.—W. F. Leguin.
L. S. S.—F. LaFella.
Chaplain.—Wm. L. Smith.
I. G.—M. Kirschbaum.
O. G.—W. G. T. Keen.
Organist.—J. W. Fleet.

Truckers Here Yesterday.

There was a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Carolina Truck and Fruit Grower's Association at The Orton yesterday afternoon. The meeting was held for the purpose of considering business of interest to the association membership.

Among those here to attend the meeting were Mr. W. L. Hill, of Warsaw; Mr. C. M Steinmets, of Rose Hill; Mr. W. G. Fussell, of Rose Hill; Mr. J. S. Westbrook, of Faison; Mr. J. H. Westbook, of Wallace; Mr. J. A. Westbrook, of Mt. Olive and Mr. F. L. Hill, of Wallace.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

N. F. PARKER.

Furniture, Furniture Novelties No. 17 S. Front St.

White Enamel Bed with Brass Vases and Caps, Woven Wire Spring, Soft Top Mattress, Feather Pillow; $6.95 each for the outfit. On sale till January 7th only. ja 1 tf

Dissolution.

The firm of J. C. Stevenson & Taylor is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The liabilities of the firm will be paid upon presentation to James C. Stevenson, who continues the business as heretofore at the same place.
(Signed) JAMES C. STEVENSON,
ja 1 1w J. A. TAYLOR.

Rice Straw, Rice Straw.

50 Tons Rice Straw.
50 Bushels Seed Rye.
50 Bushels Seed Wheat.
500 Tons Ammoniated Guano.
500 Tons Acid.
500 Tons Kainit.

Also, Butter, Cheese, Corn Meal, Meat, Flour, Sugar, Coffee and other goods.

D. L. GORE,
de 25 tf 120, 122 and 124 N. Water street, Wilmington, N. C.

OPERA HOUSE.

Friday Night, January 6.

L. A. W. JUBILEE.

Minstrelsy, Farce Comedy, Vaudeville,

Admission, 50 cents.

All Seats must be reserved. Box Sheet opens Thursday morning at Gerken's. ja 4 3t

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W. H. BIDDLE,
Register of Deeds. ja 4 1t



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when you can ride just as cheap? Now is the time to buy a bargain in a good horse. I have on hand a few nice Horses that must be sold out at your own figures, as I must make room for a large consignment of Horses and Mules that will arrive about the first of January. All stock guaranteed as represented.

L. W. BATES,
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A REACTION HAS NOW TAKEN PLACE.

Holiday goods all sold. We have on consignment **150 Barrels New Mullets** that must be sold Also, Flour, Rice, Coffee, Tobacco, Soap, Starch, Lye, Molasses and Syrup.

Prices free. Satisfaction guaranteed.

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WHOLESALE GROCERS,
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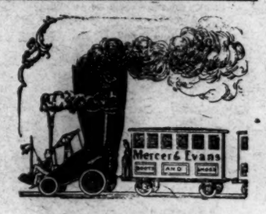
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Good Shoes or Pretty Slippers.

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Respectfully,

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We have worked the Cigar business as we have done the Cured Hog Product, and have succeeded because the goods were notoriously superior to anything ever offered the retail trade before in quality, style, and equal to what was sold for ten cent—hence our success—not us but the goods were meritorious; so we are called "Monopoly." We do however, with pride say we will sell a half million of these Cigars this year and hope the consumer will demand

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The Best 5c Cigars Sold.

For Xmas we carry small boxes high grade Cigars and isolicit inquiries from the trade—to whom we sell exclusively.

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de 20 tf

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Please let it continue.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 4.

HAVE WE OUTGROWN THAT, TOO?

The New York *Sun*, which until the last Presidential campaign was a Democratic paper, is now a Republican paper, and so vigorous in its Republicanism that it sometimes calls other old-time Republican papers to task for not being Republican enough. It is a strong supporter of the McKinley administration, and a lively boomer of the policy of expansion. In reply to the assertion that the acquisition of foreign territory, as in the case of the Philippines, would be ignoring the Monroe doctrine, it says:

"A strange misconception of that noble ægis of sentiment which has hung happily over the continent for three quarters of a century, the Monroe doctrine, exists still among expansionists and anti-expansionists alike. 'If we annex distant territory,' say the latter, 'the Monroe doctrine will be destroyed.' 'We are committed to annexation,' say some expansionists, 'and the Monroe doctrine is gone already.' What inconceivable hallucination!

"The Monroe doctrine is found practically complete in these two sentences of the document containing it:

"'We owe it, therefore, to candor and to the amicable relations existing between the United States and the European powers to declare that we should consider any attempt on their part to extend their system to any portion of this hemisphere as dangerous to our peace and safety.

"'We could not view any interposition for the purpose of oppressing them (other Governments of America) or controlling in any other manner their destiny, by any European power, in any other light than as the manifestion of an unfriendly disposition towards the United States.'

"That is to say, enlargement of European power upon this continent is dangerous to our peace and safety, and an attempt in that direction will be to us a cause for war. And that is all.

"The soundness of President Monroe's statesmanship will remain in spite of what we may do or what we may have done. Annexation of the Philippines or of indefinitely greater territory can't affect it. If we took in Borneo and Sumatra it would be as true as ever that European colonization on the Western Hemisphere would threaten our peace and progress, and acquirement of sovereignty over all Polynesia would not in our eyes be an invitation to any European Government to settle in America.

"We should still hold efforts to that end as the "manifestation of an unfriendly disposition towards the United States;" and the force of our protest would lie, as always from the beginning, in the weight of our resources for self-defence.

"When a foreign enemy or domestic statesman has broken down the war power of the United States, then, and not till then, will the Monroe doctrine be confronted with the prospect of abrogation.

"Long may the Monroe doctrine and its foundation flourish! Never were they stronger than they are to-day.

This is in keeping with the dishonest assertion that because the pledges made by Congress in the declaration of intervention in Cuba did not specifically mention the Philippines and Porto Rico, as they did Cuba, therefore these pledges are not binding as to any territory not named in them and we are free to take and assert dominion over these territories without any violation of faith, when everybody knows that the intent of these pledges was to tell the world that our motive in intervening in the case of Cuba was purely humanitarian, and that conquest of territory or desire for gain had no part in it. That is virtually what we said and that is the way the people of the territories interested and of the world understood it.

If the question had been asked when intervention was declared that in the event the war should be carried into Porto Rico or into the Philippines, what the course of this government would be as to them, the reply as to Cuba would have been the same as to them, and the declaration that covered one would have covered all. To now take advantage of the omission is simply to resort to a subterfuge totally devoid of any semblance of honesty and beneath the dignity of a great government which has a proper appreciation of its veracity and reputation for square, candid dealing.

So in the case of the Philippines. The Eastern hemisphere was not mentioned in the Monroe Doctrine (which of course it could not be), which applied in phraseology only to this hemisphere, and therefore we are free to perform as our inclinations or interests may dictate in the old world. But there is something more than written language to be considered in the application of that document. Its purpose, the motive that inspired it, must be taken into consideration and construed in connection with the written words.

Why was that doctrine enunciated? and why made the policy of this country? It was not for commercial purposes, nor that we might the more easily extend our dominion on these two continents by keeping foreign powers out. The motive was entirely different. This was a Republic. There is antagonism between Republicanism and monarchy. The monarchies of the old world would naturally try to limit Republican expansion by seeking the destruction of Republics, and the establishment of monarchies in their place. Some day the Republics south of us being weak and having no bond of union between them, might fall victims to designing European powers, and be converted into monarchies or into dependencies of monarchies, and we would thus have neighbors who might become a menace and at any time become troublesome. The same idea underlaid that that underlaid the purchase of Louisiana and Florida. This country being the representative Republic of the earth and the most powerful was looking to its own future, and therefore took the younger and the weaker Republics under its protecting care. The inspiration of this doctrine was not so much that European governments must not seek to secure any more footing than they had in this hemisphere as that European monarchies must not do that, because of the antagonism between Republics and monarchies, which can't exist together, nor for a long time in close proximity.

This was the idea on which that doctrine was based, namely that the government would regard with disfavor and inimical to it any movement which might directly or indirectly tend to the establishment of monarchies on this hemisphere, and that being so and being accepted by the monarchies of the old world as the policy of this government and accepting the motive as a justification of the doctrine could they not reply with equal pertinence, with the same justification, that they would regard with disfavor and as inimical to them any movement to establish Republics on the other hemisphere? Considering the motive (and that must be considered) one follows logically from the other and monarchical governments would have as much right to protest against this Government's seeking a foothold on that hemisphere as this Government would have to protest against their seeking to gain a foothold on this hemisphere. While the Monroe Doctrine may be silent as to the old world, its intent is too plain to be misunderstood, or misinterpreted by any one who desires to interpret it honestly.

The *Sun* is simply quibbling with the document it discusses. Gen. Merritt, as a justification of our taking possession of the Philippines, said "we have outgrown the constitution." Why are not these expansionists who wish to relegate the Monroe Doctrine equally candid and say we have outgrown that, too?

PROTESTS POURING IN.

A Boston dispatch published yesterday says protests are pouring in to the Anti-Imperialist League against expansion. These protests are coming in from all sections of the country—North, South, East and West. The people who are signing them do not believe in "pulling down the flag" when the pulling down might leave our work undone or bespeak timidity, but they do believe in pulling down the flag where it cannot rightfully float, where the avowed object of raising it is accomplished and when our national faith and honor demand that it shall come down, but come down by the authority that raised it. There is no degradation, no dishonoring the flag, no cowardice in that; it is simply a declaration to the world that this country is not a conscienceless territory-grabber, and that it would rather be right than hold dominion over subjugated peoples.

It is not a question with them whether this country *can* hold dominion over the Philippines or of other newly acquired territory, for they have as strong faith in the pluck and power of the American people as the most blatant expansionist has, but it is a question whether we can rightfully and consistently with our good faith and national honor do that. That amounts to more than a question of physical strength or military strategy.

We firmly believe that when there is time for deliberation, and this question is calmly discussed and put before the American people on its merits, after the appeals to false pride and national vanity have been weighed, the majority of the American people will agree with the signers of these protests, and demand that where the flag floats it shall float as an emblem of freedom over citizens who honor it and not over "subjects" who will hate it.

THE STORM CENTER.

Iloilo is now the storm center of the Philippines, but whether there is to be much of a storm or not depends mainly upon the men who are managing affairs for the United States. While firm, Gen. Miller seems to be using discretion and some tact, and while there also seems to be a disposition on the part of the insurgent leaders to avoid a clash, a very little thing may precipitate it and the result be actual war between the United States troops and their late allies, the insurgents.

Although we have at present available for active operations there only 2,500 men against the 17,000 or 18,000 the insurgents can muster, reinforcements have been ordered, and we have no doubt that with our superior equipment and the ships at our command we could soon capture Iloilo or destroy it. The fact that more troops have been ordered to reinforce Gen. Miller's command is proof that the situation is regarded as very serious.

We may capture Iloilo, but if it be not voluntarily surrendered by the Filipinos there will be very little gained by that, for if we are to take permanent or even temporary possession of those islands, it is the people we must capture and not the towns. To hold the towns with the people against us will simply be a condition of virtual warfare, which at any time may become actual warfare. With a Government that expected to rule by force and not to take into consideration the rights or wishes of the people ruled, this might not matter much, only a question of money and lives, but we are professing to be governed by the desire to do the fair, square thing by those people, and hence we cannot force them into the attitude of enemies, and govern them by the bayonet. The crisis seems to have been reached when we must show them that we are their friends, or make them our enemies. Here there is not only opportunity but necessity for tact and good judgment.

THE PENITENTIARY PROBLEM.

Superintendent of the Penitentiary, Leazer, managed very well and made it self-sustaining, but it has not been so since he went out, for it has been not only badly but scandalously managed, necessitating the removal of Superintendent Smith and the appointment of Mr. Mewborne, who recently resigned, and is succeeded by Capt. W. H. Day (a Democrat), who was appointed by the Governor. It is now confronted by a prospective deficit of $20,000. Its indebtedness is $80,000, while the crops produced are estimated at $60,000. The new superintendent is quoted by the *News and Observer* as saying:

"So far as I am able now to judge, the indebtedness of the institution amounts to $80,000, and the assets—products of the farms that can be sold—are some $60,000, leaving a deficit of $20,000."

Captain Day believes that with proper co-operation he can make it self-sustaining, but that, however efficient the management may be, will depend very much upon the prices of the products of the farms. If cotton and other products be so low as to leave but little margin between the selling price and the cost of production, the probabilities are that the penitentiary will continue to be more or less of a burden upon the State, even if there be no losses by excessive rains, freshets or droughts, chances on all of which must be taken.

Until some better way be devised the farm is perhaps the best place to employ the convicts, but there is a better way, in which they can not only be made self supporting, but render good and valuable service to the State, and that is by putting them to work on the public roads and in draining the swamp lands, so that these may be reclaimed and made more valuable. As we see it we do not regard the penitentiary problem as a perplexing one, if viewed from a common sense, business standpoint.

Mr. Smith announces himself out of the race for Senator against Julius Cæsar Burrows, of Michigan. But there are still other Smiths, all of whom have not been heard from.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— It is said that the new Filipino cabinet is much stronger, from an insurgent point of view, than its predecessor and that its new ministers will insist upon the independence of the island. There are plenty of people in this country who hope they will get what they want. —*Augusta Chronicle, Dem.*

—— It seems that the Standard Oil Trust is looking for "other worlds to conquer," and has been trying to get control of all the copper mines in the country. Just as we have said, unless these combinations in restraint of trade, and commerce are checked in time, the day is bound to come when every branch will be virtually merged in one gigantic trust.—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—— Twenty millions to Spain, twenty-six millions to be paid to American citizens for claims against Spain, three millions to be paid to the Cuban and Philippine insurgent soldiers, and one hundred and fifty million to be paid out for our own army and navy in consequence of the war! Before we have finished with our act of sweet charity in rescuing poor Cuba from her oppressor, we shall be out of pocket pretty nearly, if not quite, a quarter of a billion.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: Capt. T. L. Sarles died early this morning at his home, on South Elm street, of Bright's disease. Deceased was about 60 years of age, and had been a resident of Greensboro for only a few months, having moved here last year from eastern North Carolina.

— Greensboro *Record*: The Board of Education was in session this morning and appointed out the school money for the coming year, this amount being $18,000, or about $1.56 per capita, an increase of $500. This is very good, for last year $900 came from the State, this amount not being available this year.——Two Little negroes, aged about ten years each, got very cold at High Point Saturday night and built a fire in a box car on the siding at that place. It soon got too warm for them and they skipped, but the car was of course about ruined, the top and sides being burned off before it was extinguished.

— Charlotte *News*: After the jolly holidays and on the bright New Year morning the town of Huntersville and surrounding community was greatly shocked and saddened by the sudden death of one of our oldest and most esteemed citizens, Mr. J. M. K. Hunter. He was enjoying his usual health, and, it was his custom, to walk from his home to church on Sunday mornings. Yesterday morning as he reached the church, which is about one-half mile from his home, and was in the act of entering the door, he was suddenly stricken and fell to the ground. He breathed only twice after falling.

Raleigh *News and Observer*: The executive committee of the State Farmers' Alliance met at Hillsboro this week and authorized the Business Agent to close down the shoe factory as soon as the material now in hand is worked up. The reason for this, it is said, is that there is a large stock of shoes on hand and on account of the limited capital of the factory it is necessary to dispose of the stock before manufacturing more. "The closing down is only temporary," said Mr. J. W. Denmark, a member of the committee, yesterday. "As soon as the stock is disposed of we'll open up operations again. So far we've lost nothing on the factory, and we would have made a good deal had we had sufficient capital to run on at full capacity. "The financial condition of the State Alliance was found to be better than it was at the State meeting last August." —— A reliable citizen of Selma in discussing the rumor that an attempt would be made to lynch the negro Tom Smith, now in jail here, said that the rumor was unfounded and that it did the lawabiding people of Selma an injustice. He declared that no organization had been or would be made for any such purpose. Tom Winfrey, one of the men injured, is able to be out.

TWINKLINGS.

— First Venerable Man—"I met old Bill Jones just now, and he had the assurance to tell me that he felt as fresh as a two year-old." Second Venerable Man—"Likely he meant a two-year-old egg."

— First Central American—"Well, how's business over in your country?" Second Central American—"Dull; awful dull. Our revolutions haven't half the attendance they used to have."

— "That's a fine, solid baby of yours, Middleton," said a friend who was admiring the first baby. "Do you think he's solid?" asked Middleton, rather disconsolately. "It seems to me as if he were all holler."—*Stray Stories.*

— "That youngest boy of yours does not seem to be a credit to you." said the white man to Uncle Mose. "No, sah;" said Uncle Mose. "He is the wusted chile I has. He is mighty bad. He's de white sheep of de family, sah."—*Boston Journal.*

— Despairing Love—"Bertha, have you nothing to say in answer to the letter I wrote you last Thursday? Do you know that all my future is bound up in your reply to that letter?" Washington Maiden—"I haven't looked at it, Horace. Next Tuesday is my day for opening sealed proposals."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "Why," they asked him, "did you command the sun to stand still?" The shade of Joshua appeared annoyed. "To tell the truth," he replied, "it was a moment of pique. My watch was a trifle slow that morning, and as it never varied before, naturally ——." With a common impulse they all nodded gravely.—*Puck.*

— He was referring to the chorus in the opera. "Their legs," he began, but she blushed and interrupted him. "Limbs," she said, by way of correction. "Possibly you are right," he admitted after another glance in the direction of the stage. "Some of them are shaped more like limbs than legs." —*Chicago Evening Post.*

Work and Play.

Whether the conservatives are right who say this old world is in her dotage or second childhood because half its population is awheel and another quarter knocking about a ball or whether she has come to years of discretion and cut her wisdom teeth I shall not pretend to decide. Certain it is, however, that all work and no play not only makes Jack a dull boy, but too often lands him in his grave or in the insane asylum. There is no doubt that the early settlers of this new country took life too seriously, and if the luxuriant nineteenth century is carrying athletics too far, even into the realm of delirium, it is only the natural revulsion from an austere workday period. But the pendulum always swings two ways and is bound to right itself at last.

The need of relaxation is one that has been acknowledged by the sagest men of all ages and climes, and it was the great Æsop, poet, philosopher and weaver of truisms into pithy fables, that so characteristically reproved an Athenian fop who sneered at him for indulging in some outdoor sport, decrying it as "a trivial occupation demeaning to a man of intellect." Handing the offending youth an unstrung bow, he said, "This is my answer." Then as the young Greek gazed upon it vacantly and without comprehension the philosopher explained: "The mind of man, like that bow, if always bent, would in time lose its elasticity and become useless. By giving it occasional freedom you preserve its tone, and it will serve its purpose."—Agnes Carr Sage in Lippincott's Magazine.

La Grippe Successfully Treated.

"I have just recovered from the second attack of la grippe this year," says Mr. James A. Jones, publisher of the *Leader*, Mexia, Tex. "In the latter case I used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and I think with considerable success, only being in bed a little over two days against ten days for the former attack. The second attack I am satisfied would have been equally as bad as the first but for the use of this remedy as I had to go to bed in about six hours after being 'struck' with it, while in the first case I was able to attend to business about two days before getting 'down.'" For sale by R. R. BELLAMY. †

To the Public.

We are authorized to guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and if not satisfactory to refund the money to the purchaser. There is no better medicine made for la grippe, colds and whooping cough. Price, 25c. and 50c. per bottle. Try it. R. R. BELLAMY. †

"HAUNTED" HOUSES.

The Foolish Superstition That Dooms Them to Remain Tenantless.

Probably the majority of people have been momentarily struck from time to time by the sight of dwelling houses of a sad, deserted appearance, curiously suggestive of rats and romance, which occur at intervals in the streets of London and most other big human hives. There they stand year after year. No one occupies them; no one seems to make inquiries about them or to regard them as habitable; generally they crumble through sheer damp and disuse or are eventually razed by the legalized "housebreaker." Of course many houses answering to this description stand empty for years pending decisions in the court of chancery or because the sanitary authorities have seen fit to condemn them, but it is a fact that hundreds of such houses remain vacant simply because of some queer local aversion or superstition which has gradually surrounded them with a fatal atmosphere of ill luck. Call a house "haunted," and with many people the ghost is taken for granted.

Occasionally the reasons why certain dwelling houses should have been marked out and shunned in this way are humorous to a degree, not to say ridiculous. The writer knows of one substantial pile, standing in a northwest suburb, which has been practically doomed to perpetual emptiness solely through a local report that a dastardly crime had been done in one of the rooms. Not an atom of base for this rumor was to be had, but in a short space of time the belief obtained such credence that it was no uncommon thing for one or more morbid sightseers to be found staring up at the blank windows and speculating as to the nature of the deed.

Finally the street urchins took every opportunity to riddle it with stones, while every possible tenant was solemnly warned against occupying the premises. The despairing owner reduced the rent from time to time, but a bad construction was placed upon this action, and the building is now an uninhabitable shell.

Another house, in the very next street, had stood tenantless for a long time for a somewhat similar reason. It appeared that the last occupants had mysteriously disappeared, owing money in all directions. This was no unprecedented occurrence in itself, but it so happened that a local busybody discovered in one of the upper rooms a red stain, which was duplicated in the passage below, and immediately there were whisperings as to foul play. An investigation disproved this theory, but the rumor had gone forth, and that house was doomed. The fact that the stains in question were found to be nothing more than blotches of red paint made no difference. They were red. Instantly the local mind settled that they must be lifeblood.

Even those people who pride themselves upon being above the influence of such idle gossip very naturally do not relish occupying a house that is pointed at and "talked about," while they can obtain one with no such notoriety attached. As a landlord bitterly remarked to the writer recently: "Let a house be singled out for local suspicion and whispers, it is almost certain to be doomed to future emptiness. No one cares to put the matter to the test." —Household Words.

Lost His Horse, Drives a Cow.

In Springfield, O., there lives a venerable citizen who is known as Father Danforth, the crusader. Recently he has taken to driving a cow in harness.

Father Danforth is quite a character, and he is always given a hearty welcome wherever he goes. His horse died some time ago, and he thought he would try hitching up a cow. The animal took to the harness good naturedly, and after a few lessons became manageable with the bridle. It can now be driven anywhere as easily as a horse. Danforth then tried an older cow in harness and met with success, and afterward he alternated. He milks both cows and sells the milk, establishing what is known as the White Saloon.

Danforth also conceived the idea that leaves could be utilized as food for cows, and he has been feeding them right along. He has recently established a business where leaves are handled and baled for sale.—Cincinnati Post.

Worth Seeing.

"Every year," said the professor, "a sheet of water 14 feet thick is raised to the clouds from the sea.

"What time of the year does that happen, professor?" asked the freshman from the interior. "I should think it would be a sight worth going to see."—Indianapolis Journal.

Specified.

"He has quite a line of ancestors, but they were all tailors."

"I see. A clothesline."—Detroit Free Press.

A Clever Trick.

It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its natural vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50c. a bottle at R. R. BELLAMY's Drug Store. †

How to Prevent Pneumonia.

You are perhaps aware that pneumonia always results from a cold or from an attack of la grippe. During the epidemic of la grippe a few years ago when so many cases resulted in pneumonia, it was observed that the attack was never followed by that disease when Chamberlain's Cough Remedy was used. It counteracts any tendency of a cold or la grippe to result in that dangerous disease. It is the best remedy in the world for bad colds and la grippe. Every bottle warranted. For sale by R. R. BELLAMY. †

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.* The Kind You Have Always Bought

THE PASSING OF THE LOCOMOTIVE.

"Ah, well," said the iron horse, heaving a sigh
That was followed anon by a tear,
"They've made me do everything else but fly
Since Stevenson sent me here.

"From killing an hour for every twelve miles
To a hundred and twelve an hour.
The Yankee redoubles his toil and smiles
As he doubles my pace and power.

"When tempests have howled, I have gone to the front,
The force of the blizzard to check.
Of countless collisions I've taken the brunt
And have laid in the ruins a wreck.

"Now, like the 'old woman,' they say I must go
And so make a place for the 'new.'
A mile and a half in a minute's too slow
For the Yankee. I know what I'll do—

"I'll go back to England, for over the sea
My pace will be swift there, I'm told.
Though the old things of England are new to me,
The new things of England are old.

"There a thousand long years are the same as a day
And a day as a thousand years.
There when an old thing has wasted away
Another old thing appears.

"Adieu to the land of the setting sun.
Impetuous Yankee, goodby.
I'll just jog along to the end of my run.
You put on your wings and fly."
—Cy Warman in New York Sun.

Saved by a Hatchet.

Golden Days tells a story of a prospector in Alaska who, in company with eight other men, was walking across a great icefield. At one place a thin sheet of ice hid from view a crack about 3 feet wide. The party approached the crevasse diagonally, the prospector in advance, when suddenly he and the next man in the line slipped through the thin coating of ice and disappeared in the chasm below. Their cries narrowly prevented some of the others from meeting a similar fate.

The second man carried a gun, and as he held on to it the weapon lodged crossways in the crevasse and enabled him to be rescued, but the prospector went down at least 75 feet and was tightly jammed between the walls of ice.

He could not be seen, but his voice could be distinctly heard directing the movements of his rescuers. Blankets were torn into strips and tied into a rope. This was lowered to the imprisoned man, who fastened one end around his body. When the rope was pulled, however, it was found that he was jammed in so tightly that he could not be moved without tearing him asunder.

The rescuers were in a quandary, but the imprisoned man suggested that they lower him a hatchet, and when this was done he chopped himself loose in short order. Altogether he was 30 minutes in the icy tomb, and it was a week before he recovered from the shock.

Millions Given Away.

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WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute	7	@	7¼
Standard	7½	@	7¾
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℘ ℔	12	@	12½
Sides ℘ ℔		@	8
Shoulders ℘ ℔	6¼	@	6½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℘ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℘ ℔	6	@	6½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 10
New New York, each		@	1 20
New City, each		@	1 10
BEESWAX ℘ ℔		@	22
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℘ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℘ ℔	15	@	18
Northern	20	@	25
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	46	@	47
Virginia Meal	47	@	50
COTTON TIES—℘ bundle	75	@	80
CANDLES—℘ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℘ ℔—			
Northern Factory	10½	@	11½
Dairy Cream		@	11
State		@	10½
COFFEE—℘ ℔—			
Laguyra	12	@	16
Rio	7½	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℘ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ℘ bunch	18	@	20
EGGS—℘ dozen	16	@	17
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℘ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℘ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℘ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℘ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℘ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℘ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℘ pork barrel		@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℘ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℘ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 35	@	4 50
FLOUR—℘ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight	3 75	@	4 00
First Patent	4 50	@	5 00
GLUE—℘ ℔	7½	@	8½
GRAIN—℘ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White		@	50
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	46
Oats, from store	40	@	45
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	45
Cow Peas	20	@	75
HIDES—℘ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint		@	10
Dry salt		@	9
HAY ℘ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	50	@	75
Rice Straw	40	@	45
Eastern		@	75
Western		@	75
North River		@	75
HOOP IRON, ℘ ℔	1⅞	@	2
LARD, ℘ ℔—			
Northern	5	@	7
North Carolina	5	@	10½
LIME, ℘ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℘ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℘ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		@	27
Porto Rico, in barrels		@	28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	12	@	15
NAILS, ℘ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	@	1 65
PORK, ℘ barrel—			
City Mess	10 50	@	11 00
Rump	10 50	@	11 00
Prime		@	10 50
ROPE, ℘ ℔	10	@	22
SALT, ℘ sack, Alum		@	1 10
Liverpool	75	@	80
American	70	@	75
On 125 ℘ Sacks		@	47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@	3 50
SUGAR, ℘ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5⅝	@	5¾
Standard A		@	5½
White Extra C	5¼	@	5½
Extra C, Golden		@	5
C, Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℘ ℔—Northern	3¼	@	4
STAVES, ℘ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℘ M feet—Shipping		@	9 00
Mill, Prime		@	7 00
Mill, Fair		@	6 50
Common Mill	4 00	@	4 50
Inferior to ordinary		@	3 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℘ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	@	5 00
" Sap	4 00	@	4 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℘ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℘ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	2 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	@	15

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Jan. 3.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Market firm at 43¼ cents per gallon for machine-made casks and 42¾ cents per gallon for country casks, with no sellers at these prices.

ROSIN—Market firm at 97½ cents per barrel for Strained and $1.02½ for Good Strained.

TAR—Market very firm at $1.10 per bbl of 280 ℔s.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market firm at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for Dip and $2.30 for Virgin., with no sellers.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 30¾@30¼c; rosin firm at $1.15, $1.20; tar firm, $1.05; crude turpentine quiet, $1.40, $1.90, $1.90.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	52
Rosin	277
Tar	262
Crude Turpentine	5

Receipts same day last year.—169 casks spirits turpentine, 745 bbls rosin, 268 bbls tar, 33 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 5⅜c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Good Ordinary	2 15-16	cts ℘ ℔
Good Ordinary	4 5-16	" "
Low Middling	4 15-16	" "
Middling	5⅜	" "
Good Middling	5 11-16	" "

Same day last year middling 5 7-16c.

Receipts—85 bales; same day last year, 612.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina—Prime, 45@55c per bushel of 28 pounds; Extra Prime, 60c; Fancy, 65. Virginia—Extra Prime, 65c; Fancy, 70c; Spanish, 70@80c.

CORN—Firm; 45@50 cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 12 to 13c per pound; shoulders, 6 to 7c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $1.60 to $2.25; six inch, $2.25 to 3.25; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $2.50 to $6.50 per M.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 3.—Money on call firm at 3@4 per cent., the last loan being at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 3@3½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at 484¼@484½ for demand and at 481¾@482 for sixty days. Posted rates were 482½ and 485½. Commercial bills 481. Silver certificates 59½@60½. Bar silver 59. Mexican dollars 46. Government bonds irregular; U. S. new 3's 107⅝; U. S. new 4's, registered, 129@129½; do. coupon, 129@129½; U. S. 4's 111⅞@112⅜; do. coupon, 112⅜@113½; do. 2's 99¼; U. S. 5's, registered, 112⅝@113⅛; do. 5's, coupon, 112¾@113. State bonds inactive; N. C. 6's 125; do. 4's, 104.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 3.—Rosin steady; strained common to good $1 40. Spirits turpentine firm at 45½@46c.

CHARLESTON, January 3.—Spirits turpentine firm at 41c bid; no sales. Rosin firm and unchanged; no sales.

SAVANNAH, January 3.—Spirits turpentine 44c; no sales; receipts (two days) 2,076 casks. Rosin quoted firm and unchanged; sales 172 barrels; receipts (two days) 8,514 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 3.—The new year opened with the cotton market a very small one, but as the early cables were disappointing, spot cotton showing a downward tendency and futures a slight decline, which gave a lower range to opening prices here, the first call showing the market quiet with prices unchanged to three points lower. Trading was slack, and subsequent variations unimportant, with a rather steadier feeling, however, especially in the forenoon. The early loss was recovered on covering following forecasts of wet weather throughout the cotton belt and small movements. Wall street buying was easily the future of the small business done, but as a rule the volume of interest was small and disappointing. As conditions had undergone but little change in the close of the market last week, even the local traders were inclined to act with caution and to wait for something of a positive character to confirm or challenge the wisdom of their position on the market. At best the swing of the market was only a small matter of five points for the day, with the tone finally quiet at net unchanged prices to two points lower.

NEW YORK, January 3.—Cotton steady; middling uplands 5⅞c.

Cotton futures market closed quiet; January 5.50c, February 5.51c, March 5.51c, April 5.57c, May 5.61c, June 5.64c, July 5.67c, August 5.69c, September 5.63c, October 5.64c; November 5.64c.

Spot cotton closed steady and unchanged; middling uplands 5⅞c; middling gulf 6⅛c; sales 5,536 bales.

Net receipts 600 bales; gross receipts 712 bales; sales 5,636 bales; stock 95,289 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 52,294 bales; exports to Great Britain 16,609 bales; exports to France 438 bales; exports to the Continent 5,844 bales; stock 1,280,517 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 157,628 bales; exports to Great Britain 73,910 bales; exports to France 20,287 bales; exports to the Continent 39,117 bales.

January 3.—Galveston, no market, net receipts 15,596 bales; Norfolk, quiet at 5¾, net receipts 1,969 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 5⅞c, net receipts 309 bales; Boston, quiet at 5⅞c, net receipts 4,410 bales; Wilmington, firm at 5⅜c, net receipts 86 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 6⅛c, net receipts 1,265 bales; Savannah, easy and quiet at 5 1-16c, net receipts 7,265 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 5 3-16c, net receipts 11,922 bales; Mobile, quiet at 5⅛c, net receipts 1,030 bales; Memphis, steady at 5⅜c, net receipts 3,330 bales; Augusta, dull at 5⅛c, net receipts 1,553 bales; Charleston, quiet at 5⅛c, net receipts 1,957 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, January 3.—Flour was unfavorably affected by the break in wheat and ruled quiet. Wheat—Spot weak; No. 2 red 79¾c; options opened steadier on cables, but aside from this the new year began disastrously for bull traders; prices ruled weak all day, unheeding a big visible supply decrease and heavy clearances, being influenced by general liquidation, disappointing outside trade and bearish sentiments of foreigners; closed 1c net lower; No. 2 red March closed 78¼c; May closed 74¼c; January closed 76¼c. Corn—Spot weak; No. 2, 43¼c; options began rather easy and developed extreme weakness under liquidation, the Liverpool decline and break in wheat, closing 1c net lower; May closed 42c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2 33½c; options quiet. Lard quiet; Western steam $5 85@5 90; January $5 87, nominal; refined firm. Pork firm; mess $9 75. Butter firm; Western creamery 15@21c; do. factory 12@14½c; Elgins 21c; imitation creamery 13@17; State dairy 13@18c. Cheese firm; large white and colored 12½c. Petroleum steady. Potatoes—Jerseys $1 25@1 50; New York $1 25 @1 62½. Cotton seed oil dull; prime crude 17½@18c; do. yellow 22@22½c. Rice firm. Cabbage steady at $2 25@2 40 per barrel. Coffee—Spot Rio barely steady; No. 7 invoice 6⅛c; No. 7 jobbing 7⅛; mild barely steady; Cordova 7¾@15c. Sugar—Raw irregular; fair refining 3 13-16c; centrifugal 96 test 4 5 16c; molasses sugar 3 9 16c; refined sugar unsettled.

CHICAGO, January 3.—The new year on Exchange commenced with a lot of profit-taking by bulls. Declines in all the grain and provision markets resulted. Wheat lost 1⅛c, corn ⅞@1c, oats ⅛@¼c and provisions 3 and 5 per cent.

CHICAGO, Savannah 3.—Cash quotations: Flour firm. Wheat—No. 2 spring —; No, 3 spring 65@68c; No 2 red 71¼c. Corn—No. 2 35¼c. Oats—No. 2, 27¼c; No. 2 white, free on board, 29¼@30¼c; No. 3 white, free on board, 28¾@29¼c. Pork, per bbl, $10 15@10 20. Lard, per 100 ℔s, $5 56@5 65. Short rib sides, loose, $4 80@5 00. Dry salted shoulders, $4 25@4 37½. Short clear sides, boxed, $5 15@5 16. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2, January —, 67⅝, 67¼, 62¼; May 71¾@71⅞, 72⅛, 70⅝, 70⅝@70¾c; July 70, 70¼, 68⅜, 68⅝@68¾c. Corn—January 36⅜, 36⅝, 35⅝@35⅞, 35⅝c; May 38¼, 38⅛@38¾, 37, 37⅛@37¼c; July 38⅝@38½, 38⅞, 37¼@37⅜, 37⅛@37¼c. Oats—May 28⅛, 28¼, 27¼@28¼, 27½; July 26¾, 26¾ 25⅞, 25⅞. Pork, per barrel—January $10 35, 10 35, 11 05, 11 05; May $10 60, 10 72½, 10 47½, 10 47½. Lard, per 100 ℔s—January $5 70, 5 70, 5 60, 5 60; May $5 90, 5 95, 5 82½, 5 85. Ribs, per 100 ℔s, January $5 00, 4 85, 4 87½; May $5 25, 5 25, 5 12½, 5 15.

BALTIMORE, January 3.—Flour quiet; western super $2 20@2 60. Wheat easy—spot 68c; month 68c; September 61¾c. Southern wheat by sample 72@77c. Corn weak—spot 41@41¼c; month 41@41⅛c; February 41@41¼c. Southern white corn 39¼@39⅛c. Oats firm; No. 2 white western 34@34½c.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, January 3, 4 P. M.—Cotton—spot in fair demand; prices steadier American middling 3 3-32d. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 5,000 were for speculation and export and included 1,100 bales American. Receipts since last report 77,000 bales, including 63,800 bales American.

Futures opened quiet with a moderate demand and closed steady. American middling (l. m. c.): January 3 1 64@3 2-64d buyer; January and February 3 1-64@3 2-64d buyer; February and March 3 2-64@3 3-64d buyer; March and April 3 3 64@3 4-64d buyer; April and May 3 4-64@3 5-64d buyer; May and June 3 5 64@3 6-64d buyer; June and July 3 7-64@3 8 64d buyer; July and August 3 7-64@3 8 64d buyer; August and September 3 3-64@3 9-64d buyer; September and October 3 8 64@3 9-64d value; October and November 3 8-64@3 9-64d buyer.

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Steamship Oneida, 1,091 tons, Staples, New York, H G Smallbones.

CLEARED.

Schr Cora M, Mitchell, Ponce, Porto Rico, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

EXPORTS.

FOREIGN.

PONCE—Schr Cora M—111,468 feet rough lumber, 17,808 feet dressed lumber, valued at $1,550; cargo by Kidder Lumber Co, vessel by Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 4, 1899.

SCHOONERS.

Mabel Darling, 112 tons, Ranger, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Emma C Cottingham, Steelman, 478 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.
Julia Elizabeth, Sweeting, 80 tons, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Atlantic (Br) 1,613 tons, Inwood, Alex Sprunt & Son.
Assyrian, 1,841 tons, Frank, Hamburg, A S Heide & Co.

BARQUES.

Victor (Nor) 614 tons, Ostrik, A S Heide & Co.

BRIGS.

M C Haskell, 299 tons, Wingfield, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

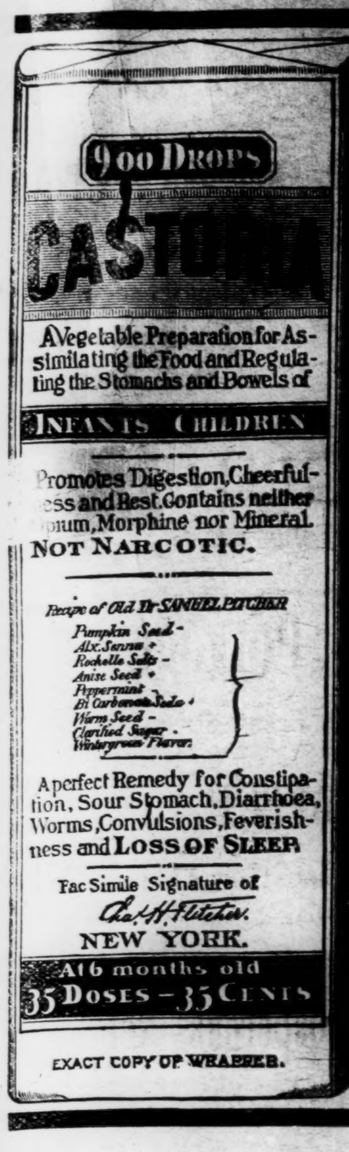
BARGES.

Carrie L Tyler, 538 tons, Bonneau, Navassa Guano Co.

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"At the rear of a farmhouse that I was looking around one night," said the retired burglar, "I found an extension containing a single room, that appeared to be used as a washroom. I thought if I went in through this extension I should be less likely to wake up the folks in the house, and so I got in at a rear window and started for a door at the other end opening into the main part, which I hoped to find unlocked, but I never really did find out whether it was unlocked or not, for when I had got about half way across the room I stepped through a hole in the floor and dropped into a cistern.

"I suppose that of all the uncomfortable places a man can get into one of the most uncomfortable is a cistern. It is a very difficult place to get out of, and it may be impossible to get out of it without help. The water in this cistern was just over my head, but I could swim, and the water wasn't very cold. I kept afloat and felt around the walls for something to climb out by. I did find something, the pipe from the pump, but it wasn't of any use to me, for it left the cistern just where the walls began to arch over to form the top. If it had run up under the arch a little, it might have helped me to reach the edge of the opening, but it didn't. It started out from the top of the straight wall. It was on the side toward the house, and I suppose this cistern must have been outdoors, and they built the extension over it.

"I kept paddling all the time to keep my head above water, and every now and then I looked up at the opening I had dropped through. I could make out the outline of it by the starlight in the washroom, and I wished they hadn't left the cover off. And how I did wish I could get my hands on that rim! But the nearest I could get to it was about two feet away. I found that by making a great effort I could reduce that distance to about 1⅛ feet, but that was all, and it might as well have been 1⅛ miles.

"Paddling around in the water one of my feet struck my tool bag, lying on the bottom, where I had dropped it when I first went down. The little bound from that, instead of from the floor of the cistern, which I had touched a few times before, threw my head a little higher out of water than usual, and then I found the satchel with both feet and stood on it. That gave me the first rest I had had since I dropped into the cistern. It raised me up so that my head was clear of the water down to just below my mouth, and I could keep in that position without very much effort and breathe easily. It was a very great relief.

"Then, of course, there was a chance to think things over with some kind of comfort. I had my jimmy in my bag, a useful tool in many ways, and no doubt I could have got out of the cistern by the aid of it, but the work would have been very difficult, and it would probably have taken too long, and as a matter of fact I had already thought of a very much simpler way of getting out. Standing on the bag not only raised my head above the water; but, of course, it raised me just so much nearer the opening at the top of the cistern. If I could get something a little higher still to stand on, a foot higher, or even less than that, I could reach the rim, and, of course, the thing to do was to end this bag up and stand on that. This seemed so extremely simple that you may wonder I hadn't thought of it before, but the falling into the cistern had been in the nature of a surprise to me, and I hadn't got around to this idea yet. I would have thought of it in time, even if I hadn't happened to strike the bag with my feet.

"Well, I balanced myself on the bag as it was until I had got a good rest, and then I bent down in the water and ended the bag up and got one foot on it to hold it, and then I stood up in the water again and got the other foot on it. Then I found I could reach within six or eight inches of the rim of the cistern. But it was a mighty shaky support, rigid enough in itself, with the bones in it; but, not fixed, it was wabbly and of no use unless I could get it right in line with my body when I jumped. But I steadied it up under my feet and trued it up the best I could and made a spring from it. I caught the rim of the cistern with both hands, and then I raised myself up and chinned it. Then I got my right elbow up over on to the floor, and after that it wasn't very long before I had worked myself up over the edge and out, but I didn't try to do any more work that night."—New York Sun.

HE GOT HIS ANSWER.

But It Was Very Different From What He Had Expected.

As the train pulled out of Chicago a quiet, gentlemanly looking man entered the buffet car, and, ensconcing himself in a comfortable chair, drew out a long cigar and entered deeply into his paper. He remained so quiet and retained his seat so long that another passenger, whose bearing distinctly stamped him as a commercial traveling man, one of the kind full of chatter and curiosity, could no longer restrain himself. Addressing the quiet gentleman, he inquired, "Traveling east?"

Slowly removing his cigar, the gentleman turned and looked at his questioner with slightly elevated eyebrows, replying, "Yes."

"New York?"

"Yes."

"Pleasure?"

"Yes and no."

"Great place, New York. Ever been there before?"

"No."

"I'm going home this trip—New York, you know."

The gentleman made no reply, but resumed his paper. After a little silence the commercial man began again.

"I'm with C. & Co., on Broadway. If you drop in, I'll show you over the city."

"Thank you, it will not be necessary!"

"Excuse me, but might I ask what you're going to New York for?"

By this time most of the other passengers were interested. The gentleman, who was extremely annoyed at the drummer's curiosity, laid down his paper and exclaimed:

"I'm going to New York, first, because the train is taking me there; second, because I've got lots of money and can afford it, and, last, because if I like the place I intend to buy it."

The commercial man subsided amid a roar of laughter.—Philadelphia Times.

They Wouldn't Salute.

Black Jack Percival, who was a naval captain before the war, once brought a cargo of Spanish jacks home in a man-of-war. He was in Spanish waters when the jacks were given to the United States by Spain and was ordered to bring them out in his ship. It made him angry, but he got the beasts aboard and sailed for New York. When he came through the Narrows, the guns had been rolled back, and out of every port there stuck a jack's head. Thus decked out, and without a salute, he came to his anchorage. The admiral commanding sent post haste to demand why Captain Percival had not saluted. "I didn't salute," was the doughty captain's answer, "because I couldn't. I had two men twisting every jack's tail, but not a blanketed one of them would bray."—Chicago Chronicle.

Marvelous Mechanism of the Human Body.

The human body is an epitome in nature of all mechanics, all hydraulics, all architecture, all machinery of every kind. There are more than 310 mechanical movements known to mechanics today, and all of these are but modifications of those found in the human body. Here are found all the bars, levers, joints, pulleys, pumps, pipes, wheels and axles, ball and socket movements, beams, girders, trusses, buffers, arches, columns, cables and supports known to science. At every point man's best mechanical work can be shown to be but adaptations of processes of the human body, a revelation of first principles used in nature.—William George Jordan in Ladies' Home Journal.

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Yet look not cold on me,
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It is a love for thee.

Oh, think upon the happy hours
We have together spent,
And ponder not on idle words
My soul had never meant!

'Tis true the tempter gained my heart
By this delusive snare,
But then thou shouldst not leave me to
A wild and dark despair.

Oh, then, I pray let not my love
From its repose be driven!
But give me thy dear hand and say,
Dear love, thou art forgiven."
—New York Ledger.

BALDNESS.

A Dermatologist Says It May Be Unknown In Another Generation.

Now the real cause of baldness has been discovered, and a French dermatologist, Dr. Labourand, suggests a remedy. By the use of this remedy, he says, baldness can be prevented, and in the next generation it may be unknown.

It has been known for some time among medical men that baldness is a disease. It has even been supposed to be due to a specific microbe. In fact, such an extraordinary amount of evidence in favor of the theory has been accumulated that the idea is now generally accepted. Dr. Labourand's investigation on the subject has been exhaustive and of such a conclusive nature as to add heavy re-enforcements to the already existing microbic theory. He believes that the disease is contagious and that the cause of contagion and the spreading of microbes is due to the barber's instruments. He presents strong evidence in support of this theory.

According to Labourand, the typical diseased hair is found at the edge of a constantly enlarging bald spot. It is the stump of what was once a long hair. It is shaped like an interrogation point. It grows less in diameter toward the root and has lost its color, being either gray or white. The normal pith canal is wanting at the root, which is itself no longer bulbous and hollowed for the papilla, but distorted in shape and hardened. Within the root sack a little bulb may be seen developing if examined under the magnifying glass. It is this which is said to be the cause of the disease.

In the good hair this bulb or utricule is full and closed and contains in its center compact clusters of microbes, a culture of the smallest bacillus known. As the microbe matures it may become one one-hundredth of an inch in width. It is bent or slightly curved in shape, like a comma, blunt at the ends and slightly swollen in the center. Each bulb contains millions of these bacilli, and to them is attributed the cause of baldness.

Investigation shows that by the time the hair is dead and the root and sebaceous gland useless the microbe which produced this effect is gone. Thus remedies applied to the bald spot in the hope of making hair grow again are vain, for that glistening, white desert is totally barren of productive roots, and the oil sacks are dried forever.

However, the progress of baldness can be impeded. This is accomplished by disinfection of the skin at the edge and in the neighborhood of the patch by means of an effectual microbe destroying tonic.

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RESOURCES.			LIABILITIES.		
Loans		$659,283 50	Capital		$125,000 00
Overdrafts secured by collateral		10,480 58	Surplus		70,000 00
Overdrafts unsecured		377 33	Undivided profits		19,564 01
U. S. Bonds (at par)		95,600 00	Circulation		40,950 00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000 00	Deposits, U. S. Treasurer	$ 50,000 00	
Due from app'd reserve agts	$156,143 52		" from banks	190,207 20	
Due from other Banks	$165,220 57		" Individuals	666,562 36	906,769 56
Cash on hand	65,178 27	386,542 16			
Total		$1,162,283 57	Total		$1,162,283 57

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT:

	Dec. 1, '97.	Dec. 1, '98.
Total Deposits	$678,000	$906,700
Surplus and Net Profits	76,100	89,500

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$15	" " " " "	$4290
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Train 41—Leaves Portsmouth 9:30 A. M., leaves Weldon 11:50 A. M., Raleigh 3:40 P. M., Sanford 5:05 P. M., Hamlet 6:55 P. M., Athens 3:43 A. M., and Atlanta 5:20 A. M.

Train 403—Leaves Washington 4:40 P. M., Richmond 8:56 P. M., Portsmouth 8:45 P. M., leaves Weldon 11:28 P. M., Raleigh 2:16 A. M., Sanford 3:33 A. M., Hamlet 5:07 A. M., Rockingham 5:23 A. M., Wadesboro 5:53 A. M., Monroe 6:43 A. M., Charlotte 7:50 A. M., Lincolnton 10:35 A. M., Shelby 11:37 A. M., Rutherfordton 12:50 noon, Athens 1:13 P. M., Atlanta 2:50 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Atlanta 7:50 P. M., Athens 11:19 P. M., Monroe 6:05 A. M. Leaves Charlotte 5:10 A. M., Monroe 5:55 A. M., Wadesboro 7:01 A. M., Hamlet 8:00 A. M., Raleigh 11:25 A. M., Weldon 2:45 P. M.; arrive Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 38—Leaves Hamlet 8:20 A. M. Arrives Laurinburg 8:46 A. M., Maxton 9.05 A. M., Pembroke 9:31 A. M., Lumberton 9:53 A. M., Wilmington 12.05 noon.

Train 402—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 M. Leaves Athens 3:13 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M. Leaves Rutherfordton 4:35 P. M. Arrives Shelby 5:55 P. M. Lincolnton 6:56 P. M., Charlotte 8:28 P. M., Monroe 9:40 P. M., Wadesboro 10:31 P. M., Rockingham 11:15 P. M., Hamlet 11:15 P. M., Sanford 1:03 A. M., Raleigh 3:16 A. M., Weldon 4:55 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Richmond 8:30 A. M., Washington 12:31 noon.

Train 18—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Gibson 8:10 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 6:50 A. M. Arrives Hamlet 7:40 A. M.

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NORTH BOUND.	No. 2 DAILY.
Leave Wilmington	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Fayetteville	12 00 M.
Leave Fayetteville	12 20 P. M.
Leave Fayetteville Junction	12 28 "
Leave Sanford	1 50 "
Leave Climax	3 44 "
Arrive Greensboro	4 15 "
Leave Greensboro	4 25 "
Leave Stokesdale	5 12 "
Leave Walnut Cove	5 41 "
Leave Rural Hall	6 13 "
Arrive Mt. Airy	7 35 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 1 DAILY.
Leave Mt. Airy	8 45 A. M.
Leave Rural Hall	10 09 "
Leave Walnut Cove	10 36 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Greensboro	11 55 "
Leave Greensboro	12 13 P. M.
Leave Climax	12 42 "
Leave Sanford	2 30 "
Leave Fayetteville Junction	3 49 "
Arrive Fayetteville	3 52 "
Leave Fayetteville	4 02 "
Arrive Wilmington	7 05 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 4 DAILY.
Leave Bennettsville	8 00 A. M.
Arrive Maxton	9 03 "
Leave Maxton	9 07 "
Leave Red Springs	9 35 "
Leave Hope Mills	10 20 "
Arrive Fayetteville	10 40 "

SOUTH BOUND.	No. 3. DAILY.
Leave Fayetteville	4 53 P. M.
Leave Hope Mills	4 52 "
Leave Red Springs	5 35 "
Arrive Maxton	6 09 "
Leave Maxton	6 15 "
Arrive Bennettsville	7 15 "

NORTH BOUND.	No. 16. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Ramseur	6 40 A. M.
Leave Climax	8 30 "
Arrive Greensboro	9 17 "
Leave Greensboro	9 55 "
Leave Stokesdale	11 07 "
Arrive Madison	11 55 "

SOUTH BOMND.	No. 15. Mixed Daily Ex. Sunday.
Leave Madison	12 30 P. M.
Leave Stokesdale	1 15 "
Arrive Greensboro	2 30 "
Leave Greensboro	3 00 "
Leave Climax	3 50 "
Arrive Ramseur	5 30 "

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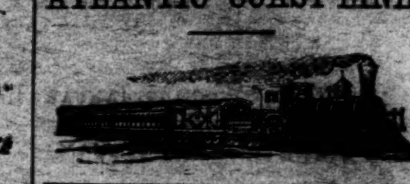
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Schedule In Effect Nov. 20, 1898.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.18 A. M., Warsaw 11.34 A. M., Goldsboro 12.30 A. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.58 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.52 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.15 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.48 P. M., Warsaw 9.03 P. M., Goldsboro 10.00 P. M., Wilson 10.48 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M., Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.05 A. M., Petersburg 3.35 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.30 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.45 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.35 P. M., Goldsboro 3.16 P. M., Warsaw 4.07 P. M., Magnolia 4.20 P. M.

DAILY 9.30 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12.09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.22 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.53 A. M., Magnolia 8.05 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 A. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.20 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.22 A. M., 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 3.00 P. M.

Florence Railroad leave Pee Dee 10.18 A. M., arrive Latta 10.32 A. M., Dillon 10.44 A. M., Rowland 11.01 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Hub at 10.25 A. M., Chadbourn 1.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 11.00 P. M.; leave Conway 2.45 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M.; arrive Hub 6.10 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Central of South Carolina Railroad leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Cheraw and Darlington Railroad leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 2.25 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Hartsville —— P. M., Bennettsville 9.15 P. M., Gibson 9.45 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.45 A. M. Bennettsville 7.10 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.02 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 3.00 P. M., Cheraw 4.45 P. M., Hartsville 2.15 P. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 11.15 P. M., arrive Selma 2.50 P. M., 12.01 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.10 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 11.01 A. M., Fayetteville 12.25 P. M. 9.40 P. M., Dunn 12.25 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 1.55 P. M., arrive Wilson 1.08 P. M., 11.59 A. M.

Manchester & Augusta R. R. trains leave Sumter 4.29 A. M., Creston 5.17 A. M., arrive Denmark 9.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.18 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Pregnalls Branch train leaves Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.25 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.30 P. M., arrive 4.10 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Time Table No. 3.



To Take Effect Sunday, Nov. 28, 1897, at 12 M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

3 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	3 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston	10 12	....
5 35	5 45	Newbern	8 57	9 10
6 57	7 02	Morehead City	7 42	7 47
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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WEDNESDAY MORNING, JANUARY 4.

CONDITIONS IN HAVANA.

Gen. Ludlow Searching Private Houses for Arms—Grinding Cane Begun. Troops Arriving.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA. Jan. 3.—General Ludlow has caused several private houses to be searched for arms. Eighteen rifles were seized at No. 40 Compostole street and eight rifles were taken possession of in a house on Tonientorey street The searches were made in the middle of the night and submitted to quietly.

The American military commissions are pleased with the honorable conduct of General Castellanos and sympathize with him. They will probably make a representation to President McKinley suggesting some recognition of the Spanish commander's conduct.

The United States transport Michigan, from Savannah, Ga., on December 31st, with two battalions of the Third Nebraska, has arrived here.

Telegrams received from Matanzas announce the arrival there of General Castellanos, who will not leave his ship. The United States flag was hoisted at Matanzas on Sunday.

The sugar centrals of Matanzas and Havana provinces started grinding cane yesterday.

Col. W. H. Mabry, of the First Texas regiment, is dying of cerebro-spinal meningitis, with which he was attacked on Saturday last. At a consultation of surgeons hope of his recovery was given up. Col. Mabry was recommended by Generals Lee and Keifer a few days ago for appointment to the regular army.

THE TREATY OF PEACE.

Will Be Submitted to Congress Probably To-day With a Brief Message from the President.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—The treaty of peace negotiations at Paris will be submitted to Congress almost immediately on its reconvening probably to-morrow. Although a tempting opportunity offers for the presentation of a most forcible argument for the speedy ratification of the treaty, in the shape of a ringing message to Congress on the subject, President McKinley has decided to leave the presentation of the merits of the treaty to its friends in the Senate. Accordingly, the treaty will go to the latter body with the briefest possible message of transmission by the President.

Although it is admitted unofficially, that the text of the contents has been published in the newspapers with absolute accuracy the Executive still insists upon maintaining official secrecy as to the treaty, as a courtesy to the Senate, which will be allowed the privilege of making the document public in its own discretion. It is not known at this time, whether the protocols will accompany the treaty, or whether they will be submitted later to the committee on foreign relations; at any rate they are now of very little public interest and that little is purely history, for the results of the commission's work being done, there is little general curiosity to learn the steps by which they were reached.

A RUSSIAN GRAND DUKE.

Tells Representatives of the Press That the United States Will Have War With the Philippines.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3.—Grand Duke Cyrial Vladimirovitch, of Russia, who is on his way to his country to attend the wedding of his sister, was welcomed to-day by the Russian colony in this city, with a church service in the Russia orthodox church. Bishop Nicholas, retiring prelate of the Russian church in America, who will take ship with him to-morrow presided at the service and made an address. The little church was decorated especially for the occasion. The duke received the represenatives of the press in the State parlor of the Woldorf-Astoria, which was decorated with palms and roses. The duke said: "I believe that you will have much trouble with the natives in the Philippines. In fact, in my judgment, you will have war with them sooner or later. As far as Russia is concerned, the presence of the United States in the East is entirely satisfactory. I believe it to be a new factor for peace in the affairs of the Orient. The grand duke will sail on the Furst Bismarck.

ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Florida and West India Solid Vestibuled Trains Put in Service Through to Tampa, Fla.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—Commencing on the first of this month the Atlantic Coast Line put in service on their Florida and West Indian limited, solid vestibuled trains, with coaches and Pullman palace sleepers, through to Jacksonville and Port Tampa, Fla.

Commencing January 16 they will put in service for the season of 1899 their New York and Florida special train, composed entirely of Pullman palace vestibuled, sleeping, compartment, dining, library and observation cars, heated by steam, and lighted throughout by electricity, leaving New York daily, except Sunday, 12.20 P. M., and this city at 6.20 P. M., arriving at Jacksonville 1.10 P. M., and St. Augustine, Fla., 2. 20 P. M. next day.

FIFTEEN NEW WARSHIPS.

Secretary Long's Estimate of the Cost of Construction.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—Secretary Long has completed detailed estimates for Congress for the fifteen new warships he recommended to be constructed in his annual report. The figures for the armament and armor for all the ships are $14,168,000 and for construction and engineering $36,100,800.

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THE TROUBLE IN THE PHILIPPINES.

The American Expedition Sent to Iloilo Has Not Yet Landed Troops.

NATIVES PREPARE TO RESIST.

Advices From Dewey and Otis—Gen. Miller Believed to Have the Situation Well in Hand—Filipino Parliament Thursday.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—General Otis, commanding at Manila, has cabled the War Department that in his opinion General Miller has the situation well in hand and that he fully understands the purpose of the President not to crowd the insurgents unduly. It is highly desirable that a hostile collision between the American forces and the insurgents be avoided at all hazards, at least pending the ratification of the peace treaty, and as General Miller understands this purpose on the part of the President. he will be guided by it and may be relied upon to resort to force only under absolute compulsion.

The officials here are now fully satisfied that the trouble at Iloilo may be traced directly back to the Spanish colonel who was the senior Spanish army officer in the Philippine group and directly in command of the Visayas group, including the principal island of Panay, and the city and garrison of Iloilo.

Philipino Parliament to Meet.

One feature of General Otis' report that has escaped mention so far, is his notice of the approaching meeting of the so called Filipino parliament which is to gather, presumably, at Malalos, about twenty miles from Manila on the island of Luzon, Thursday next. A good deal of interest is attached to this meeting, as General Otis reports that by the attendance the strength of Aguinaldo's party can be gauged. That this is waning rapidly is not doubted, and General Otis feels that when the attempt is made to convene the parliament it will be found that Aguinaldo has lost his control of the majority and cannot command even a working coalition. Such a state of affairs would tend to make easier the task of the authorities of the United States of establishing peacefully a temporary form of government for the Philippines that will command the support of the people and receive the approval of the civilized world.

McKinley's Proclamation.

General Otis has not yet published the proclamation by President McKinley which was cabled from Washington to him about a week ago. Feeling full confidence in his judgment, the officials here are not disposed to question his withholding the proclamation from the Filipinos, though it would seem the purpose in preparing and cabling it would be to satisfy the Filipinos and counteract the insidious attacks the Spanish element has been making upon the integrity of the Americans' intentions respecting the Philippines.

Admiral Dewey

was heard from by cable at the Navy Department to day, but made no reference to the political situation in the islands. He reported that he had found a building suitable for a naval hospital at Cavite and asked authority from the department to establish it at once. It was not gathered that there was an unusual amount of sickness among the American soldiers, but realizing that the naval occupation of Manila is to be of a permanent character, Admiral Dewey wishes to establish a shore hospital. Secretary Long called upon Surgeon General Van Reypen and after a consultation they cabled Admiral Dewey authority to establish the hospital. Medical Inspector Remus C Persons was selected to take charge of the new hospital and he has been ordered to start from New York at once. The necessary assistants will be selected from among the medical officers of Admiral Dewey's fleet.

Reassuring News from Otis.

A cablegram from General Otis at Manila was read at to-day's cabinet meeting. It is said to have stated that the news from Iloilo was reassuring, but the details were not made public. No other matters of importance were brought forward and the meeting adjourned at an unusually early hour.

American Expedition Still Afloat.

MANILA, January 3.—Advices just received from Iloilo say the rebels at a meeting on Saturday ratified the action of a delegation which assured the Americans that they might land unarmed, but that if the latter landed armed, the natives would be uncontrollable.

It is further said that every preparation is being made for resistance on the part of the rebels, and that reinforcements are arriving from Negros and the neighboring islands, in spite of the efforts of the United States cruiser Baltimore and the gunboat Arizona to scare them with searchlights. The Spanish gunboat El Cano is still at Iloilo, but as her status is not defined she has not been molested. It is understood that she is destined to go to Samhoangan, a town of the Philippine islands on the southwest extremity of the island of Mindanao.

The American troops are restless. The rebels are drilling on the beach, evening, and morning, in full view of the American expedition which is still afloat.

The California volunteers were embarked on four transports to-day. Their destination is unknown.

The natives here are quiescent but watchful.

Spaniards Messacred.

MADRID, January 3.—General Rios cables from Manila confirming the report that all the Spaniards at Balabac, an island of the Philippines group, situated thirty miles south of Palawan, have been assassinated, with the exception of the women, whose release is being asked for.

The News in Washington

regarding the attitude of the rebels and natives at Iloilo and vicinity is similar in effect to that reported in the press dispatches. The situation, officials say, show that the relations between the Americans and those with whom they are dealing are much strained and will require tact and forbearance on the part of both to avoid a collision. It is also said that the information which has been received here does not indicate that Gen. Miller has landed with the American troops.

The General Assembly of North Carolina will meet at noon to-day. The Democrats have a large majority in both houses.

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TO PURCHASE THE S. A. L.

A Richmond Syndicate Has Made an Offer for a Controlling Interest in the System.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

BALTIMORE, January 3.—A syndicate, believed to be headed by J. Skelton Williams, the Richmond banker, has made an offer for a controlling interest in the Seaboard & Roanoke Railroad Company, the parent organization of the Seaboard Air Line. President R. Curzon Hoffman declined to discuss the subject to-day, but from other authentic sources it was learned that the offer had been made and that Mr. Hoffman, as chairman of the pool which controls the company, favors its acceptance.

A gentleman identified with the company said to the Associated Press to-night:

"I understand that an offer has been made to Mr Hoffman for a controlling interest in the stock of the Seaboard and Roanoke Company, which he will he submit to his stockholders with his advice that it be accepted. The terms are not yet to be made public, but I understand that the price is satisfactory to Mr. Hoffman. He has received assurance that the line will be operated in the future as in the past, as an independent Southern railroad. Mr. Hoffman is informed that nearly the entire capital comes from Richmond and Baltimore capitalists, and that every effort will be made to prevent the absorption of the company by other roads."

In some quarters it is stated that the Georgin and Alabama is the prospective purchaser of the Seaboard. The price contained in the offer is guarded by all interested, but it was hinted that $200 per share would not be far from the mark.

Thos. F. Ryan. of New York, who owns more than 2,000 shares of the stock and has been endeavoring to secure control of the road for the past two years, it is reliably stated, is not connected with the syndicate. There has been a spirited contest between Mr. Ryan and the present management of the property for control. This contest has covered a period of two years and the Hoffman faction, which controls the system, has been successful throughout the long legal battle.

The Seaboard and Roanoke reaches Baltimore by the Baltimore steam packet company, a majority of whose stock it owns. The company operates a line of steamers between Baltimore and Old Point Comfort and Norfolk. The sale of the Seaboard and Roanoke would carry with it the control of this line.

The total length of lines comprised in the Seaboard Air Line system, on June 30th, 1897, was 946 66 miles. The lines of roads are as follows:

Northern Division—Portsmouth, Va., to Raleigh, N. C., 175.60 miles; Durham-Henderson branch, Henderson, N. C., to Durham, N. C., 41.40; Boykins-Lewiston branch, Boykins, Va., to Lewiston, N. C., 35; Louisburg branch, Franklin, N. C., to Louisburg, N. C., 10.

Central Division—Raleigh, N. C., to Hamlet, N. C., 96.60; Wilmington, N. C., to Rutherfordton, N. C., 267 03; Carolina and Henrietta branches, 6.40.

Pittsboro Railroad—Moncure, N. C., to Pittsboro, N. C., 11.20.

Gibson Branch—Hamlet to Gibson, N. C., 10.13.

Palmetto Railroad—Hamlet, N. C., to Cheraw, S. C., 18.20.

Southern Division—Monroe, N. C., to Atlanta, Ga., 266.10; Belt Line, truckage, 11.00.

ARRESTED IN ST. AUGUSTINE.

An Alleged Baron and Baroness Charged With Using the Mails in a Scheme to Defraud.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

JACKSONVILLE, FLA., January 3.—Inspector W. S. Mayer, acting under the inspector in charge, Major James E. Stuart, of Chicago, caused the arrest at St. Augustine this afternoon of Baron and Baroness de Bara, for using the United States mails in an alleged scheme to defraud.

The couple, it is asserted, appeared at Chicago about the first of last September and worked from an office at 115 Dearborn street in a gigantic scheme to defraud by use of the mails, and from all accounts they appear to have been decidedly successful at their game, making victims in untold numbers and profiting to the extent of unknown thousands of dollars. Their victims were almost entirely residents of England and Scotland. The business was conducted under the name of George. B. Henschell, manager, with Miss E. Wilson, as clerk and stenographer. Henschell was rarely seen at the office and the clerk was the one who appeared to have active charge of operations. The scheme was to show to their correspondents that they represented what was known as the Edison Phonograph Company and they advertised very extensively through England and Scotland. The asked for agents promising to send them slot machines on which the agents should divide the profits with the home concern. A deposit was required from those desiring to become agents, and they received very heavy foreign mails containing remittances. The full extent of their alleged defraudings can only be guessed at, but it will probably run above $50,000. It is known that their receipts in one day have been as high as one thousand dollars.

The baron and baroness were arrested at their home in St. Augustine today by United States Marshal Horr, and while they made no resistance they claimed that the case is one of mistaken identity. Their home is furnished with almost regal magnificence. Bric-abrac worth thousands of dollars adorned the walls and mantels. They have been received with more or less social regard since coming to St. Augustine and their entertainments have been a very important element. They will be given a hearing before United States Commissioner Coodell at ten o'clock this morning.

MOVEMENT OF WARSHIPS.

Oregon Ordered to Honolulu—Iowa Sent to San Francisco for Repairs.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—Secretary Long to-day cabled orders to the Oregon, at Callao, to proceed to Honolulu, taking the distilling ship Iris with her. The Iowa was ordered to San Francisco to make repairs to her boilers and replace a broken cylinder head. With her will go the supply steamer Celtic and the colliers Scindia and Justin. The Oregon will get orders at Honolulu to proceed to Manila if the situation does not change in the meantime, The gunboat Castine has also been ordered to Manila.

The United States troopship Roumania, with the second South Carolina regiment and the Mobile with the Fourth and Ninth Illinois, sailed from Savannah yesterday. There only remain at Savannah the Third Georgia, the Maine volunteer artillery and six batteries of United States ertillery.

CUBANS HOLD MASS MEETING.

The People of Santiago Protest Against Order to Send Customs to Havana.

REVIVES SPAIN'S PRACTICE.

Gen. Wood, Military Commander, Goes to Washington to Consult With President in Regard to Matter—A Problem to Be Solved.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, January 3.—Major General Leonard Wood, the American military commander here, has cabled for permission to go to Washington for two days and has been granted leave of absence. He will leave Santiago on board the United States transport Mississippi to-night. The reason of the general's departure is unquestionably the order received from Havana to transmit the entire customs receipts each week to that city. As cabled last night, compliance with these instructions would involve the abandonment of many necessary public improvemonts, would throw 10,000 Cubans out of employment and would send them to the hills to become bandits, and would revive Spain's practice of monetary centralization which caused most of her troubles in Cuba. It is believed General Wood is desirous of seeing the President on this subject.

Business Men Protest.

There was a mass meeting here this afternoon of business men of all kinds to protest against the order from Havana. The members of the San Carlos Club are in a fever of excitement. They say, as previously pointed out, that the main cause for complaint against Spanish rule was the continual demand for money obtained from the different provinces, which, they claim, should remain in the provinces and be spent there.

Col. Valiente, the Cuban who was appointed chief of the gendarmerie, was quite outspoken on the subject. He said the Cubans had fought thirty years against this policy, and they were ready to fight thirty more if necessary. Americans who are familiar with the situation here agree in saying the Cubans have good cause for complaint, in this instance.

A Problem for the War Department.

WASHINGTON, January 3.—The objection of the citizens of Santiago to the execution of the War Department programme, requiring the customs collections of that port and all other Cuban ports to be sent to Havana, has brought the War Department face to face with another of the many problems connected with the administration of affairs in Cuba that require speedy settlement. The order is felt to be absolutely necessary, the interests of good government requiring that there should be but one responsible head to the customs service in Cuba. It was pointed out at the War Department to-day that if Santiago at one end of the island and Havana, near the other, were allowed to keep their customs receipts, such provinces as Porto Principe and Pinar del Rio would be without funds to make any public improvements. The officials were disposed to allow each of the military commanders of the seven departments into which Cuba is now divided submit requisitions based upon estimates of cost of such public works as sanitation, harbor improvements and road and bridge building as it is deemed desirable to undertake. The cabinet which General Brooke is about to call to his assistance in the administration of the island, probably, will examine into these necessities and propose an allotment of the total customs collections and internal revenue taxation in proportion to the needs of the community, and in accordance with the principle of justice and good government. In all likelihood these allotments will require the approval of the Secretary of War. In the case of Santiago, it is the belief of one of the highest officials of the War Department that the transfer of money from that sub-port to Havana will be almost nominal, for the needs of the province at large, probably, will absorb the greater part of the actual receipts. The whole subject is now under consideration, falling directly under the purview of Assistant Secretary Meikeljohn and some order on the subject may be expected at an early date.

The local papers again renew their assertions if such an order is enforced it will mean, if not civil war, at least anarchy and riot in the province of Santiago, calling for a large force of United States troops. The Cubans are making elaborate preparations for a demonstration on General Wood's departure. A band will escort him to the wharf and the members of the Supreme Court will accompany the Mississippi down the bay at the expense of the Cubans.

BREACH OF DISCIPLINE.

Entire First Class of the Virginia Military Institute Dismissed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., January 3.—News is received from Lexington to-night that to-day the superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute issued an order dismissing the entire first class of that institution. consisting of thirty-five cadets. The young men dismissed represent twelve States and their offence was a breach of discipline committed New Year's eve in the face of special warning.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Italian bark Zeffiro, from Apalachicola, via Falmouth, for Perth, is overdue.

Among troops designated by Secretary Alger to be mustered out is the Third N. C. negro regiment.

Near Bloomington, Ill., John Lytton shot his wife, two children and himself. All are dead except the husband who cannot live. Jealousy was the cause.

A Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis train, was robbed by six men at Macombo last night. It is said they got the entire money contents of the express car.

The Pope will forbid Archbishop Ireland to represent the United States at the disarmament conference, because the Vatican is not to be represented.

Catherine Olivia Brice, widow of the late Calvin S. Brice, appointed administratrix. The petition states that no real property was left by the deceased and that his personal estate is valued at $600,000.

Representative Dingley passed another comfortable day, the slight improvement noted Monday continuing and the attending physicians expressed renewed hope that the distinguished patient would recover. The crisis in the case is not expected until Thursday or Friday.

PENNSYLVANIA SENATORSHIP

Quay Endorsed by Republican Legislative Caucus—Not Sufficent Votes to Elect.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HARRISBURG, PA., January 3.—Despite the efforts of the opponents of Senator Quay to secure a postponement of the Senatorial caucus until a later date, the adherents of the senior Senator carried their point to-night and secured the indorsement of their favorite by 109 of the 164 Republican members of the Pennsylvania Legislature. This is 19 less than the number to elect a United States Senator on joint ballot, the total membership being 256, of which 128 is a majority.

The anti Quay leaders are jubilant over the result of the caucus and claim that the man they are fighting can never succeed to the Senate. On the other hand, the Quay people and the Senator himself express confidence of ultimate victory. They say that of the absentees two members of the House, Snyder of Luzerne and Clark of Washington, are kept away by sickness and will vote for Senator Quay. This would leave him seventeen votes short of the number necessary to elect, and the efforts of the Quay leaders will be directed during the next two weeks toward securing these votes. It goes without saying that they will be just as bitterly opposed in the future by the group of men who have made the fight against Quay as they have been in the past.

Undoubtedly the decision of Senator David Martin at an early hour this morning to remain out of the caucus had much to do with the success of the efforts of the anti Quay people. Senator Quay has expressed confidence all along that Martin would be with him when the time came to make his vote effective, but others well informed on the situation have felt that if Mr. Martin found it possible to defeat Senator Quay he would throw all the strength of his political power against him. All agree that much depends upon the action that the State Supreme Court will take at Philadelphia on January 7th on the proceedings brought before that body through a writ granted recently. the effect of which is to bring the criminal proceedings granted against Senator Quay before the Court of Review. If the proceedings are quashed by the Supreme Court Mr. Quay will be re-elected. If, on the contrary, the court refuses to interfere with the regular course of the legal procedure against Senator Quay and decides that he must stand trial on the indictments found against him, there can be no doubt that the position of his opponents will be greatly strengthened.

Senator Quay made this statement at midnight: "I am entirely satisfied with the result of to-night's caucus. A number of members of the Legislature who did not agree to enter the caucus to-night have assured me of their cordial support when the Assembly meets in joint convention These votes will be more than sufficient to elect me. I am absolutely confident of my success."

GEN. GOMEZ'S PROCLAMATION

Advises the Cuban Army Not to Disband Until Arrangements Are Made for Their Pay.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

HAVANA, January 4.—Gen. Gomez, from his camps, two hundred miles westward near Narciso, has addressed a proclamation to the Cuban army, advising against disbanding until the proceedings at Washington regarding the pay of the insurgent troops have been completed. It is dated December 29th, and is in part as follows:

"The moment has arrived to give public explanation of my conduct and my purposes, which are always in accord with my sense of duty to the country I serve. The Americans, tacitly our allies, have terminated the war with Spain and signed a treaty of peace. I believed it was my duty not to move, for any political or other object from the spot where I had drawn my sword, so long as the enemies of the army had not completely evacuated the island. My presence elsewhere would have disturbed the repose and calmness necessary to consolidate, nor ought I to have caused the Cubans trouble by unnecessary manifestations during the jubilee.

"The period of transition is terminated, the army of the enemy is abandoning the country, the sovereignty of the great United States is beginning, as stipulated in the protocol, over all the island. But Cuba is not yet free or independent. Self-government is not yet constituted. For that reason we must dedicate ourselves to bringing about the disappearance of the cause for American intervention.

"But above everything else, in the spirit of justice to the Cuban army, it is necessary that before the liberators of the people can dissolve as a guarantee of order. that the debt which the country owes to its soldiers should be satisfied. Awaiting this result I remain in my present position, always ready to help the Cubans finish the work to which I have dedicated my life."

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By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 4.—The Vienna correspondent of the *Daily Mail* says: "The duel between Baron Banffy, the premier, and M. Horanszky, a member of the lower house of the Hungarian Diet, was a ludicrous affair. The seconds had arranged to fight to the death at 20 paces. M. Horanszky, however, when he faced his opponent, was agitated beyond all control, and Baron Banffy was hardly more comfortable. Each discharged four shots, but all so wide of the mark that the bullets were found lodged in the roof or high on the walls of the riding school, where the encounter took place. The duelists finally left the building, calling fiercely at each other.

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